51. Jharkhand Mukti Morcha

52. Mizo National Union

53. Naga National Party

54. National Democratic Party

55. Republican Party of India

56. Republican Party of India (Khobragade)

57. Socialist Unity Centre of India

58. Tamilar Desiya Lyyakkam

59. United Tribal Nationalist Liberation Front.

Export of Oilseeds and Solvent extracts

2019. SHRI BAIKUNTHA NATH SAHU : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have explored the possibility of export of oilseeds and solvent extracts to South Asian and Far Eastern countries; and

(b) if so, what specific steps have been taken in this direction ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DASMUNSHI) : (a) and (b) The export potential in respect of HPS groundnut, sesame seed; and solvent extracted oilmeals in South East Asian and Far East Countries was explored though delegations sponsored by the Indian Oil and produce Exporters Association in January 1989 and Solvent Extractors' Association of India in March 1989 to these countries. The visit has helped in establishing contacts with the importers and in projecting our capability to supply these items. Contacts with the importers for exploring the export potential that these countries offer are being maintained.

Lending by Asian Development Bank

2020. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) what is the estimated amount of lending by the Asian Development Bank for the year 1989-90; and

(b) what are the details regarding the major beneficiaries of such loan facilities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO) : (a) and (b) The lending Programme for 1989-90 has not yet been finalised. For 1988-89, ADB committed assistance totalling dollars 493 million for three projects in India. In 1989-90, so far a Telecommunications Project has been negotiated for which an ADB commitment of dollars 118 million has been obtained.

Spurt in prices of raw jute

2021. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been a spurt in the prices of raw jute; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor and what steps are contemplated to check the price rise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The spurt in raw jute prices was due mainly to tight availability of the old crop during the fag end of the last jute season 1988-89 and anticipated lower production coupled with delayed arrival of jute crop during current season.

In order to contain spurt in raw jute prices the following steps have been taken:

(1) Grant of advance licence for import of raw jute for fulfilling export orders.

(2) Phased release of raw jute from the Buffer Stock.

(3) Special offer for sale of raw jute by JCI to private mills having limited stock.

(4) Maximum raw jute stock control order for regulating prices.

2022. [*Transferred to the 11th August,* 1989].

Killing of four jawans in Srinagar

2023. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the news reports in the Press that four CRPF jawans were killed at Srinagar in Jammu and Kashmir on the 13th July last as a result of crossfiring between terrorists and CRPF jawans;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) whether any of the culprits have been arrested since then?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) Three CRPF personnel were killed and 7 injured, when unidentified miscreants opened fire at a CRPF party in down area of Srinagar city on the evening of July, 13, 1989. CRPF personnel also returned fire.

(c) Some suspects are under interrogation.

Generation of black money

2024. SHRI J. P. JAVALI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the total number of tax assessees having income of more than one lakh of rupees was around 26,000 and those having income of more than ten lakhs of rupees was only 120;

(b) whether parallel economy generates annually rupees forty thousand crores which is more than the size of this year's Central Budget of Rs. 34,446/- crores; and

(c) if so, what steps Government are contemplating to curb the parallel economy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) As per the statistics maintained by the Income-tax Department, the number of assessees having taxable income of more than Rs. 1 lakh as on 31-3-88 was 1,78,637 which included 15,879 assessees having taxable income of more than Rs. 5 lakhs.

(b) There is no official estimate of the amount of black money in circulation. The National Institute of Public Finance and Policy in their report titled 'Aspects of Black Economy in India' have estimated the amount of black money for 1983-84 between Rs. 31,584 to 36,786 crores. The authors have, however, admitted that their estimate is based on numerous assumptions and approximations, each of which can be challenged.

(c) Combating tax evasion is a continuous exercise and the Government takes necessary legislative and administrative measures from time to time to curb the generation, growth and use of black money. Some of the measures taken by the Income-tax Department are systematic survey operations, search and seizure operations in appropriate cases, verification of information by Central Information Branches in a planned manner and in-depth investigation in a selected number of error-prone cases.

Recovery of Central Excise dues from M/s. ITC Limited, Calcutta

2025. SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that M/s. ITC Limited has filed a writ petition in Allahabad High Court against the demand